

REMARKS

The above amendment to claim 19 is made in response to the Advisory Action mailed October 9, 2007, and the telephone interview the undersigned attorney conducted with Examiner Stigell on October 12, 2007.

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Statement of Substance of Interview

Examiner Stigell agreed that the above amendment to claim 19 overcomes the rejection of claims 12 and 17-20 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Armbruster '511. However, the Examiner stated that he would have to update his prior art search, and advised the attorney that it would be necessary to file an RCE in order to gain entry and consideration of the amendment to claim 19.

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Since the Examiner, in the Advisory Action, **withdraws** the rejection of claims 12 and 17-20 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Spohn '893, Applicant respectfully submits that the application now is in **condition for allowance with all of claims 12 and 17-20**. (It is assumed that Applicant's Request for Reconsideration (filed September 21, 2007) overcomes the objection under 35 U.S.C. § 132(a) and the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraphs.)

(As noted by the Examiner in the Advisory Action and in the "Response to Arguments" of the final Action mailed May 16, 2007, Applicant used the word "flush" to distinguish the present invention from the prior art, as seen on page 10 of the Amendment filed on March 5, 2007.)

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(C), STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF
INTERVIEW, AND REQUEST FOR
TELEPHONE INTERVIEW
Application No.: 10/542,989

Attorney Docket No. Q89022

Request for Interview

If the Examiner for any reason feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, he is respectfully requested to **call the undersigned attorney** to discuss any unresolved issues and to expedite the disposition of the application.

Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this application, and any required fee for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and/or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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